105TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 3154

To provide for the appointment of additional Federal district judges in the State of Florida.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 4, 1998

Mr. CANADY of Florida (for himself, Mr. McCollum, and Mr. Goss) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Florida Federal Judge-
- 5 ship Act of 1998".
- 6 SEC. 2. DISTRICT JUDGES FOR THE FLORIDA DISTRICT
- 7 courts.
- 8 (a) In General.—The President shall appoint, by
- 9 and with the advice and consent of the Senate—

1	(1) 3 additional district judges for the middle
2	district of Florida; and
3	(2) 2 additional district judges for the southern
4	district of Florida.
5	(b) Temporary Judgeship.—
6	(1) In general.—The President shall appoint,
7	by and with the advice and consent of the Senate,
8	1 additional district judge for the middle district of
9	Florida.
10	(2) First vacancy not filled.—The first va-
11	cancy in the office of district judge in the middle
12	district of Florida, occurring 7 years or more after
13	the confirmation date of the judge named to fill a
14	temporary judgeship created by this subsection, shall
15	not be filled.
16	(c) Tables.—In order that the table contained in
17	section 133 of title 28, United States Code, reflects the
18	changes in the total number of permanent district judge-
19	ships authorized by subsection (a) of this section, the item
20	relating to Florida in such table is amended to read as
21	follows:
	"Florida: 4 Northern 4 Middle 14 Southern 18".

1 SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

- 2 There are authorized to be appropriated such sums
- 3 as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this
- 4 Act, including such sums as may be necessary to provide
- 5 appropriate space and facilities for the judicial positions
- 6 created by this Act.

7 SEC. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

- 8 This Act shall take effect on the date of enactment
- 9 of this Act.

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